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DECISIONS AND DECLARATIONS

VOTE OF THANKS BY H.E. SAM NUJOMA,
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA

Your Excellency, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo
Chairperson of the African Union and President
of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

Your Excellencies, Heads of State and Government
And Heads of Delegation,

Your Excellency Mr. Alpha Oumar Konaré,
Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union,

Distinguished Delegates,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

On behalf of my colleagues, Heads of State and Government and Heads of Delegation, and indeed on my own behalf, it is my singular honour and privilege to express our sincere thanks and appreciation, to you Mr. Chairperson, the Government and people of the Federal Republic of Nigeria for the warm welcome and customary Nigerian hospitality extended to us all since our arrival in this beautiful city of Abuja.

The excellent facilities availed to all our delegations have indeed contributed enormously to the successful conclusion of our deliberations.

Mr. Chairperson,

Under your able stewardship, we deliberated and took decisions on a wide range of important issues affecting our continent and the world at large. It is now incumbent upon us all to ensure the full implementation of the decisions that we have made.

May I also take this opportunity to express our appreciation to the Executive Council, the Permanent Representatives' Committee and indeed to the Chairperson of the Commission, the Commissioners and the entire staff of the Commission for their hard work.

Last but not least, our sincere thanks also go to all those who worked from behind the scene to make our work successful.

Let me conclude by expressing, once again, our sincere gratitude to you, Mr. Chairperson, for having directed our deliberations so efficiently to a successful conclusion.

I thank you.

Abuja, Nigeria
31 January, 2005